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In re application of: David L. Hecht et al.

Application No.:	09/467,509	Group Art Unit:	2131	Confirmation No.:	2485
Filing Date:	12/20/1999	Examiner:	Christian A Laferglia		
For:	A RECORD AND RELATED METHOD FOR STORING ENCODED INFORMATION USING OVERT CODE CHARACTERISTICS TO IDENTIFY COVERT CODE CHARACTERISTICS				

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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It is respectfully requested that an extension of time under Rule 1.136(a), as specified below, be granted for responding to the Office Action of 7/1/04 due 10/1/04.

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- This Petition accompanies a response to said Office Action.

Please charge the fee for this extension of time, and any other fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.21, and 1.136(a) (but not 1.18), to Deposit Account No. 24-0025. One duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully requested,



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**REQUEST FOR
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 (d) (PTO/SB/20) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA (and 102(e)(1)(G) removed for commonly owned applications). See Changes to Application Examination and Prosecution Application Practice interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14855 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1223 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000); 65 Fed. Reg. 60032 (Aug. 16, 2000), which established RCE practice. (Note that § 1.114 also requires prosecution to be closed to use an RCE.)

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.P.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - v. Other
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment or Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17g) (required)
- b. Other

3. Fees [The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.]

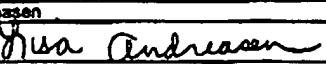
- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025.
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) - \$790.00
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17). Please grant any required extension of time.
 - iii. Other
- b. A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

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**AMENDMENT and REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 7/1/2004, please retract the holding of finality and enter the following remarks and amendments to the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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